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SUBJECT: MODE - STAFFING FOR PRECLEARANCE IN BAHAMAS

REF: STATE 283574, NASSAU 2049

1. THIS CONSTITUTES MODE SYSTEM APPROVAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF 12 ADDITIONAL CUSTOMS INSPECTOR POSITIONS, TO CONDUCT PRECLEARANCE ACTIVITIES AT FREEPORT. CHANGE RAISES CUSTOMS AUTHORIZED MODE LEVEL IN BAHAMAS TO 36. WE NOW UNDERSTAND INFORMALLY THAT 21 OF THESE MAY BE DEPLOYED AT NASSAU, 15 AT FREEPORT.

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2. DEPARTMENT HAS ALSO LEARNED INFORMALLY, THAT TO ROUND OUT PRECLEARANCE STAFFING, JUSTICE/INS CONTEMPLATES ASSIGNING SIX IMMIGRATION OFFICERS AT FREEPORT. INS WOULD PARTIALLY OFFSET BY MOVING THREE OF TEN CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED SPACES FROM NASSAU, BRINGING THEIR TOTAL IN BAHAMAS TO THIRTEEN. MOREOVER, AGRICULTURE/APHIS PLANS TO MOVE TO FREEPORT ONE OF TWO OFFICER POSITIONS NOW AUTHORIZED AT

NASSAU, LEAVING THEIR IN-COUNTRY TOTAL UNCHANGED. THUS, PRECLEARANCE STAFFING AT FREEPORT WOULD TOTAL 22 (15 CUSTOMS, 6 INS, 1 APHIS) AND AT NASSAU 29 (21 CUSTOMS, 7 INS, 1 APHIS).

3. NEWLY SURFACED CUSTOMS DEPLOYMENT ARRANGEMENTS PLUS ANTICIPATED SHIFTS FOR INS AND APHIS MAY UNDERLIE THE CONFLICTING INFORMATION ABOUT FREEPORT STAFFING MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH ONE, NASSAU 2049. WHILE EMBASSY IS COMPUTING TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS AT FREEPORT, PLEASE CHECK ABOVE DATA WITH US PRECLEARANCE OFFICIALS IN NASSAU AND CONFIRM TO DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH COM COMMENTS ON ANTICIPATED INCREASE REQUEST FOR INS. WE UNDERSTAND ALL THREE SERVICES PLAN TO SEND PERSONNEL TO FREEPORT EARLY IN JANUARY, SOME POSSIBLY ON TDY. VANCE

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